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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 18TH, 1908.

A curious document has been addressed to the Chinese Minister in London, by a body calling itself "the South African British Indian Committee" in the Transvaal. This Committee seems to have made common cause with another self constituted organization going under the name of "the Chinese Association" who are supposed to represent the so called "free" Chinese population and who consist of celestial storekeepers and the like mostly in a small way, and number about 1000 or 1100 at the most. The Association is not therefore, very numerous, but its support was nevertheless sought by the agitators who have induced the Indians to protest against certain regulations as to registration which are designed to prevent an overflow of Asiatics into the Colony. With whom the idea of dragging in the Chinese in this movement originated is not clear; but it has evidently been conceived by some happy schemer who knows just enough about Chinese matters to make himself and his followers supremely ridiculous. Left to themselves, the Chinese in the Transvaal are elsewhere are very little disposed to make elaborate protests. They fly expect to be opposed to a certain extent and are quite content to take things as they may be as long as they are bearable and to try their luck elsewhere if exclusive measures should become too

severe. But they have, if one is to believe the protest to be genuine, suddenly become aware that they are grossly injured and call upon the Chinese Ambassador in London to see that their rights as free and independent Chinese be duly respected. They complain that the registration act of the Colony "places Chinese subjects on the same level as British subjects coming from India"—which, to an unprejudiced person must certainly seem to be a somewhat strange ground of complaint, as most people would consider the fact to be a complete answer to any objections which they had to make. But aided by their Indian confederates, the Chinese Association give their reason for a contrary view in terms which are interesting, if not from their conclusiveness, at least from their cool impudence. They say:—"While it may be proper for the British Government to treat its Indian subjects as it pleases, they respectfully submit that subjects of the Chinese Empire should not be treated in a manner derogatory to the dignity of the Empire to which they have the honour to belong, especially in view of the fact that China is in a state of alliance with Great Britain and that the subjects of Great Britain receive the most favoured nation treatment in China." What this exactly means, it is somewhat puzzling to surmise. Certainly the gentleman who wrote it does not know himself. It is not a fact that China is in "alliance" with Great Britain; and the most favoured nation clause in the Treaty does not in any way affect the question, though the writer of the memorial seems to have some puzzle-headed notion that it does so in some way. What it may be supposed is meant is that China is in friendly relations with Great Britain and is recognised as being upon a footing of diplomatic equality. This has been always accepted as the only basis upon which it is possible to deal with China, but it is only a theory, and cannot be pushed to the extent of holding that China is on the same footing vis à vis Great Britain as other foreign nations. In the main she is entitled to be so treated but matters like the one under discussion, are precisely those on which she is not on a full equality, for the simple and very obvious reason that she does not recognise Europeans upon an equality with her own subjects in anything affecting her internal affairs. Foreigners are not to the present day allowed to settle down for trade or other purposes in all parts of China, and until this is the case, it is simply unreasonable for China to demand such a right for her subjects all over the British Empire. The argument put forward is, therefore, just about the weakest that could have been thought of, and it may be taken as certain that the Chinese Ambassador will be far too wary to enter upon very troubled waters in endeavouring to support 1100 of his countrymen in the Transvaal, in a very ridiculous demand, even if the "Association" had any right to address itself to the Chinese Ambassador on such a question, which it won't take that astute official long to discover they have not. The curious part of this wonderful protest is that it ends very mildly by admitting that "the Chinese Association recognises that immigration into the Transvaal should be regulated, and in order to assist the local Government in so doing it has offered to submit to voluntary re-registration as a test merely of the bona fides of the Chinese Community, and not by way of admission that any such re-registration is necessary. It is the compulsion in a matter of this kind, which your petitioners' Association resents." One would like to know how any measure of this kind can be carried out without some compulsion. Surely the Chinese Association would have been wiser to address the local Government on any details that it wished amended than to resort to the heroic expedient of sending so weak a protest to the Chinese Ambassador in London.

The Chinese idea that smallpox and plague cannot be virulent in the same place at the same time is gaining support. There was only one case of plague last week (making ten to date), and there were 32 cases of smallpox. Of the latter, 25 were fatal.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals acknowledged, with thanks, the following donations to the funds of the hospitals:—
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An inquiry was held at the Magistrate's yesterday afternoon, by Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz and a jury, into the circumstances connected with the death of an Indian watchman, whose body was found on January 3rd at the Mt. Parker Sanatorium, Shaukiwan. Dr. C. M. Keenley, medical officer in charge of mortuaries, testified to examining the body and finding it very much decomposed. Deceased's skull was fractured, his nose was smashed, and there were three other injuries. After hearing further evidence as to the finding of the body, the jury found that deceased was found dead, the cause of death being a fractured skull.

The "Amphitrite", steamer, Capt. E. F. Brown, left for the China Station, and was to call at the following ports on the dates stated:—Gibraltar, January 23; Malta, January 23; Port Said, February 2; Suez, February 3; Perim, February 8; and Aden, February 10; arriving at Colombo on February 18.

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 16th February 1908 shows that of non-Chinese there were 183 to the Library and 72 to the Museum, and of Chinese 73 to the former and 2,332 to the latter. The Library was, therefore, used by 265 persons and the Museum by 2,394.

The British ship "Hartfield" (1,567 tons, from Liverpool), is believed to have gone down with all aboard off the west coast of Vancouver Island. A wireless telegram reports that the vessel's deck-house and several boxes have been washed ashore. The ship was thirty persons on board, including Captain A. A. Anderson and his wife and family.

The following will contribute musical items at the Concert to be given at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, Hongkong, this (Tuesday) afternoon: Miss Hardy; Mrs. Bellifield, Lieut. Gross, R.G.A., Capt. Beasley, R.G.A., Mrs. Risch, Mr. Austin, Mrs. Cook, Mr. Somerset Playne, and Mrs. Beasley. The lady last named will play the piano accompaniment.

Among the leading Ministerial bills announced are likely to be measures dealing with University Education in Ireland (in charge of Mr. Birrell); Licensing Reform (entrusted to Mr. Asquith); the Education question (Mr. McKenna); Protection of Children (Mr. H. Samuel); Under-Secretary for the Home Department; Eight Hours Bill for Miners (Mr. Glagstone); and the housing problem (Mr. J. Burns).

The death of Lieut. Gen. Sir Henry Newdigate, K.C.B., which took place at Warwick, is reported. Gen. Newdigate was born in 1832, and was educated at Eton. He joined the Rifle Brigade in 1851, and served in the Crimean, Indian, Afghan, and Afghan campaigns, and commanded the Infantry Brigade at Gibraltar from 1888 to 1893. He was knighted in 1897. The late General was a Justice of the Peace for the county of Warwick.

The provision of residences for partners at the Lord Mayor of Sheffield's ball was a very popular feature. Letters were placed in conspicuous places round the walls, and a rendezvous column was placed on the programme. When booking a dance, partners merely had to agree near which letter they would meet, and enter it on the card. This greatly facilitated the meeting of partners who otherwise, in such a large crowd, might have hunted the evening through without finding one another. The arrangement was suggested by the Lady Mayors.

The case of P. Macfadyen and Co., bankers and merchants, of London, also trading at Madras as Arbuthnot and Co., was mentioned to Mr. Justice Bigman at a Bar-enquiry sitting. Counsel explained that an arrangement had been come to under which the whole of the assets, both in this country and abroad, would be pooled and divided among the creditors concurrently. The consent of the Indian Court to this arrangement had been obtained, and the trustee in England desired a similar sanction by the English Court. Mr. Justice Bigman expressed the opinion that the arrangement which had been come to was dictated by commonsense, and he made the order as desired.

In conversation with a representative of the Lokaiter regarding the delay in the opening of a German bank in Persia, for which the German Orient Bank obtained a concession last autumn, Director Guttmann, who negotiated the concession, declared that the present was not a suitable moment for entering upon new and uncertain undertakings. They must at first set about strengthening their position in Turkey, Asia Minor, and Egypt. There was, however, no question of abandoning the Persian bank scheme, and negotiations with other German banking concerns with a view to the investment of capital in the enterprise were continuing, as the Orient Bank was not disposed to raise the required capital of 5,000,000 (£200,000) by itself.

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Under the heading, "A Champion Plague Fighter," the "Globe" says:—"While we in England are campaigning against the potentially plague-bearing rat, fresh measures have had to be adopted on the Gold Coast to cope with a serious outbreak of actual disease. Dr. W. J. Simpson, who has been appointed by the Colonial Secretary to strengthen the hands of the active medical service at Accra, has already had much experience in plague-fighting. He has helped to deal with outbreaks in South Africa and Hongkong, as well as with the great twelve-years' epidemic in India.

The N.C. Daily News of February 18th says:—"The sensational rise in Langkats appears to have sustained a strong check. Shares were sold yesterday at Tls. 435 for March and subsequent transactions were at Tls. 432 and 430 for March. On the 11th instant forward rates had dropped to Tls. 442 and 436 from Tls. 450 for March on February 6th, which was the high water mark. After a long steady rise in these shares sales for March at Tls. 377 were recorded on January 17th; a rise of Tls. 16 occurred on January 22nd, and a further Tls. 20 on January 31st. After an intermission of three days for the Chinese New Year an advance of Tls. 25 was shown. The greater volume of business has been 'forward' but a cash sale was made on the 10th instant at Tls. 450, which was a rise of Tls. 314 since the 30th ultimo, and during this year the Stock Exchange has reported other cash sales on January 11, 24, 25, and 27th. At the beginning of last year sales were made at Tls. 240.

"THE DIRECTORY & CHRONICLE" FOR 1908.

The fact that the "Directory and Chronicle" has reached the forty-sixth year of publication sufficiently attests the public appreciation of its usefulness to render it unnecessary for us to do more than call attention to the publication of the 1908 edition, and to indicate the new features of the book.

First to be mentioned must be the classified lists of firms and professions which are this year appended to the usual Directory lists of Shanghai, Hongkong and Singapore. The increasing bulk of the book by reason of the natural growth in the European population of the East has hitherto made the publishers hesitate to introduce this new feature which has often been pressed upon their attention by purchasers of the book in Europe and America, but the growing number of firms in some of the larger commercial centres of the East has rendered classified lists a necessity, and we believe the attempt the publishers have made to meet this need will be very generally appreciated.

The only additions to the already long list of places covered by the "Directory," are the Manchurian trade centres which have been opened in accordance with agreements made by the United States and with Japan. These trade centres are eighteen in number, but as in some of them—excepting Mukden and Antung—are there any European commercial houses, the names of these centres are merely mentioned under the general heading of "Manchurian Trade Centres," excepting Mukden, which has so far developed as to require a couple of pages.

Of the "Directory" lists in general little requires to be said excepting that they have undergone the necessary revision and the descriptions and trade statistics of the various ports have been brought up to date, so far at least as in the case of statistics, the latest official returns will permit. Perhaps the most notable addition to the firms in China is the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Co. of Hongkong Limited. The dock, which has been in course of construction at Quarry Bay during the past four or five years, is now practically completed and the firm will soon be ready to start business. A description of the Dockyard given on page 934 refers to the Dock as the largest out of England, and the particulars given show that the Company is equipping the dock not only for repair work but for building passenger and cargo ships, turbine steamers, torpedo destroyers, and other craft.

Among the additions to the Chronicle portion of the book may be mentioned the China and Japan (Amendment) Order in Council, 1907; the Russo-Japanese Railway Conventions 1907; the Treaty between France and Siam, 1907; the new Arrangements between Great Britain and Russia to respect the territorial integrity of Tibet; the new tables of Consular and Marriage Fees to be taken in China and Corea, and the Imperial Chinese postal tariff.

A London contemporary reviewing last year's edition remarked that the printing and binding were worthy of a first-class London House. Of the present edition we may say there has been no falling off in that respect. It only remains to be said that the price is as heretofore, viz. \$10 for the complete and \$6 for the abridged edition, and the book is now procurable in all the ports which this comprehensive volume embraces, from Vladivostok to Netherlands India.

MANILA GARNIVAL.

HOW TO GO.

In order to afford residents from all parts of the East an opportunity of being present at the Philippines Carnival to be held at Manila from February 27th to March 3rd arrangements have been made with the different steamship companies to carry passengers at reduced rates. Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s steamship Yuenyang will leave Hongkong on February 21st at 4 p.m., and the Loonging will leave at the same hour on the 28th instant. Return passages by this line are available for 30 days from date of issue. Messrs. Shawan, Tomes and Co.'s a Zafra sails for Manila on Saturday, 22nd instant at 4 p.m., arriving there at daylight on the 25th instant, and leaves again on the return voyage on Tuesday, March 4th. Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's a. s. Tean will be despatched for the same port on Tuesday, 25th instant.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

OBITUARY.

LONDON, February 27th.

Lord Overton is dead, aged 65 years.

John Campbell White Overton, J.P., D.L., was Governor of Dorsetshire, and owned about 2,000 acres and large chemical works.

TORPEDO BASE TRANSFERRED.

LONDON, February 27th.

The reserve torpedo base at Portsmouth has been transferred to Southampton.

[N.C. Daily News Service.]

PROBLEMS IN MANCHURIA.

Tokyo, February 12th.

It is authoritatively announced in Japan that the British Foreign Office has recognized the validity of Japan's contention in regard to the proposed Hakumai Railway and has issued the necessary instructions to Sir John Jordan at Peking. According to it is most improbable that the construction of this railway will be begun.

Careful investigation in the matter of the Chientsu dispute is required to prevent a hasty settlement.

The Japanese authorities declare that the presumption that Japan and China are engaged in endless disputes is unwarranted, in view of the complicated nature of the questions between China and Japan outstanding after the war.

The actual proceedings in North Manchuria in regard to the Customs remain keenly watched. One Tokyo journal suggests that the enforcement of absolute neutrality upon certain interested foreigners behind China who are acting in defiance of their Home authorities is the quickest method of improving the prospect of the negotiations between Japan and China.

THE "TATSU MARU."

Tokyo, February 12th.

The Tokyo authorities have no information justifying the seizure of the "Tatsu Maru," and they have already ordered the Japanese Consul at Canton to demand the release of the vessel.

LOCAL SPORT.

HOCKEY CHALLENGE CUP.

The following, playing in white, will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club against the 3rd Battalion Middlesex Regt. this afternoon in the semi-finals at Happy Valley. Forwards: C. P. Caster, R. O. Hutchinson, L. G. Bird, R. F. C. Master, S. Ricketts, Haines, W. S. Dupree, C. B. Johnson, H. V. Wilkinson, H. L. Garrett. Backs: H. Greig and C. W. Jeffries.

A. A. A.

The third of the monthly runs of the A.A.A. took place on Sunday at Kowloon. The heavy rain which fell throughout the race kept many competitors away and only three left the post to run over a very heavy four mile course. The winner of last month's race again carried off the honours, Jamsan doing the course in 23 minutes 7 secs. The fight for second place was a hard one, Linton beating Biden on the post in 23 minutes 11 secs.

ANOTHER RESPITE FOR THE PEERS.

HOUSE OF LORDS NOT TO BE REFORMED UNTIL 1910.

The Under-Secretary for the Colonies made the surprising statement at a complimentary dinner in his honour at the National Liberal Club, on Saturday night that the Government's great attack on the House of Lords is to be postponed for another two years.

The Under-Secretary saw the Prime Minister in Paris recently so his statement may be taken as the very latest development in Liberal policy. The attack on the Lords was begun in December 1906, after the two Houses, and failed to agree on the Education Bill, and Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman made the roof of St. Stephen's ring with the heroic declaration: "A way will be found by which the will of the people, as expressed through their representatives in this House, will be made to prevail."

Beyond passing an academic resolution last session pledging the Commons to the reform of the Lords, nothing definite has been done since.

The following is the Under-Secretary's forecast of the main measures of the three coming sessions:—
1908—Old-age pensions.
1909—Taxation of land values.
1910—Curbing the House of Lords.

In each of these years, he said, Free Trade must be preserved from "assaults, ignorance, claptrap, greed, and corruption."

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 17th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen moderate over E. Japan and S. China, and fallen considerably over the S. Loochoos. A depression has developed over the Pacific to the S.W. of Mexico. It is probably moving towards N.E.

The high pressure area still lies over the continent to the North of the Yangtze.

Gradients are rather steep and N. and N.E. gales may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.80 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—
Hongkong & Neighbourhood... N. winds, strong to fresh, fine.
N. to N.E. gale.
Formosa Channel... Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoos... N. gale.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan... N. gale.

CORRESPONDENCE.

AN APPEAL.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."]

Hongkong, February 17th.

SIR,—At the request of the Reverend Mother Superior I write these few lines in aid of the cause of one of the most worthy charities of Hongkong. The Reverend Mother states that none better than I can tell of the work of the Italian Sisters at Wanchai Convent. I have been in close touch with this institution during the last ten years. I venture to state that no body of men in Hongkong is brought more closely into touch with the seamy side of this Colony than the medical profession, and none are more conscious of the noble efforts put forth by a gallant band of women of all shades of religious opinion to cope effectively with this hidden side of Hongkong. The work is done unostentatiously, I might almost say by stealth, but it is not the less effective in spite of this.

One might aptly compare Hongkong to a looking glass. Her Excellency Lady Lugard has recently stated how much she was struck by the beauty of Hongkong on her arrival, but that her feelings of pleasure were mingled with feelings of regret that there must be a hidden side to all this beauty. The public of Hongkong looks into the looking glass and sees the comparative well being of all reflected therein. In this same looking glass there is at present a small spot where the mercury amalgam has been scratched through and the side of the picture stands revealed; for the charitable efforts of the gallant band of women workers constitute the amalgam which gives the reflection of well being to Hongkong. Fortunately one knows the charitable instincts of the Hongkong Public and one knows that, once discovered, this temporary defect which has developed in the amalgam through stress of climate will not long remain unremedied.

Expert architectural opinion has declared that the "Home for the Poor" at Wanchai is in an extremely perilous condition. Even a slight storm might cause a collapse of the building, and by this means the good work of the Italian Sisters might be brought to an untimely end. This work has been continuous since 1869. Will the Public of Hongkong allow this work to be stopped? It requires very little knowledge of that Public to answer this question in the negative. Meanwhile however the call is urgent. Something must be done before the storms and rain of summer have a chance of compelling the aid and havoc they indignantly wrought during the last forty years. No case is refused admission to the Home. Here the aged, sick and destitute are nursed, fed and cared for. Many a deserving one has been able to end his or her days in peace and happiness, saved from privation and misery in the closing scene of all. The Home is open to European and Chinese alike; the utmost economy consistent with cleanliness and happiness is exercised. The good work of the Sisters is reflected in the gratitude of the inmates. Unfortunately gratitude in the very poor cannot be materialised, and it is, I know, one of the rules of the Order, to which the Sisters in charge belong, that they are not allowed to go out and personally beg for charity. To beg they cannot but to dig they are not ashamed, they have indeed been digging for the past forty years.

May I appeal to the Public of Hongkong on behalf of these good Sisters to provide a little nourishment for the soil they dig in?—Yours truly,

G. MONTAGU HARTON.

GAMBLERS IN A CHINESE RESTAURANT.

ATTENDED RESCUE OF PRISONERS.

On Saturday night a squad of police from No. 7 Station paid a surprise visit to the Lok To restaurant at West Point and arrested seven men on a charge of gambling. The men are alleged to have been playing napa pal when the police entered. At the Police Court yesterday before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz the restaurant keeper was charged with keeping a common gaming house, another man was charged with being the keeper of the game, while the remainder were charged with gambling. Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon represented the defendants, and the case was remanded till Friday, the restaurant keeper's bail being fixed at \$250; the alleged keeper's at \$100; and each of the three charged with playing were admitted to bail in the sum of \$15.

As an outcome of this raid three men were placed before the Court on a charge of attempting to rescue the prisoners. The attempt to liberate them was made on the way from the restaurant to the police station, but was unsuccessful, the police proceeding in retaining their prisoners and arresting the three men mentioned. His Worship ordered the first defendant to pay a fine of \$20, and the second and third a fine of \$10 each.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The H.A.L. str. *Saxonia* left Shanghai on 15th inst. at 9 p.m., and may be expected here to day p.m.

The E. & O. str. *Delhi* left Singapore for this port on the 15th inst. at 9 a.m., with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 20th inst. at 8 a.m.

The str. *Monmouthshire* from London, &c., left Singapore on Sunday morning, the 16th inst., and is due here on or about Saturday afternoon, the 22nd inst.

The Barber Line str. *Satsuma* from New York, left Singapore on 15th inst. p.m., and is due here on 22nd inst. p.m.

The E. & A. str. *Adenham* from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on Monday morning, the 17th inst. for Manila and this port.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of Japan*, arrived Shanghai at 11 p.m. on Saturday, the 15th inst., and left again at 8 a.m. Sunday for Nagasaki where she was due to arrive at 1 p.m. yesterday.

The I.C.M. str. *Prinze Heinrich* which left here on Wednesday, the 12th inst., at noon, arrived at Shanghai on the 15th inst. at noon.

The P.M. str. *Korea* arrived in San Francisco on the 14th inst.

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 17th February.

IN PROBATE JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR F. PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

AN UNCLAIMED FORTUNE.

Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. Harding, presented a motion, for leave, to presume the death of one Yan Joong Sin, a Korean, who in June 1899, deposited with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation the sum of \$20,000, but who had not been heard of since that time.

Counsel explained that in July 1898 the Bank had transferred the deposit which by accretion of interest had grown to \$24,000, to the Official Administrator, who now applied for leave to presume that he was dead, in order to administer the estate.

His Honour thought there should have been some inquiry made before that application came before him.

Sir Henry Berkeley pointed out that there was nobody to whom application could be made and that they must get an order presuming the death of the man before the estate could be administered.

His Honour—You cannot get a presumption of death without an inquiry.

Sir Henry Berkeley—Oh, yes, you can.

His Honour—In Scotch law there must be an absence of seven years. I have not heard of it in English law.

Sir Henry Berkeley—Oh, yes, English law too. Continuing, Counsel said, that they asked for leave to presume the death of this man through having left the money in the bank for fourteen years and never communicating with any one. The present application was only for the purpose of taking out letters of administration.

Leave was granted for the purposes of the application.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

THE SWEET REFORMER.

The Chief Justice and the Puisne Judges sat to hear the appeal against the judgment of the Puisne Judge who upheld the decision of the Magistrate in the case of In Kai Shing whose extradition was sought by the Chinese Government on a charge of armed robbery in China. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. Otto Kung-Sing, appeared for the appellants, and the Attorney-General (Mr. W. Rees Davies) instructed by Mr. Bowry, appeared for the respondents.

Sir Henry Berkeley stated that an affidavit was filed on Saturday by Mr. Haselund, the Magistrate before whom the extradition proceedings were taken, and he desired to submit certain objections to the Court with regard to the documents attached to that exhibit. The first was that there was no information before the Court at the time of the hearing with regard to the steps taken from the time of the arrest or previous thereto.

The Attorney-General expressed the opinion that Sir Henry Berkeley's objections could be taken in his reply.

The Chief Justice thought Sir Henry Berkeley had a technical objection, and that it should be heard then.

Sir Henry Berkeley proceeded to indicate his objections. The first point was that the warrant on which the man was arrested ought never to have been issued by the Magistrate. The second point was that the order of the Officer Administering the Government was invalid because it was not sealed as required by the Ordinance, and that being invalid the Magistrate had no jurisdiction to proceed thereon. The third point was that even if the order of the Officer Administering the Government be good, the Magistrate did not proceed therefrom in accordance with the expressed direction of the Statute Section 7 stated—

Mr. Justice Wise—The Magistrate acted under section 8.

Sir Henry Berkeley stated that the Ordinance provided that where a man was in custody at the time the Governor issued his warrant to the Magistrate to arrest him, the Magistrate should then issue his warrant to bring the man before him. He did not do that.

The Chief Justice—He says he acted under section 8.

Sir Henry Berkeley—There is no authority under section 8 except to arrest in the first instance.

The Chief Justice disagreed with this view, but agreed that there had been insufficient information.

Sir Henry Berkeley contended that the proceedings had been irregular from the beginning. The information was insufficient. The warrant merely stated that the deponent was informed that the fugitive was accused of having committed a crime in China. That was not such information as the law required and it was really nothing more than a petition on behalf of the Governor of Canton to the Magistrate to issue a provisional warrant to arrest this man. Proceeding, he argued that the warrant was bad because the Magistrate had no power to issue a provisional warrant, and that the order of the Officer Administering the Government was bad because it was not under his seal but the seal of the Colony.

The Chief Justice—He used a seal which was too big for him.

Sir Henry Berkeley—Yes. He added that the seal prescribed by law must be used.

After further discussion

The Chief Justice remarked that his learned brother and he were of the opinion that the information was insufficient.

The Attorney-General in reply maintained that the information was sufficient and contended that the warrant was in proper form. Any objection to the form of the warrant should have been taken at the hearing before the Magistrate. It was not open to his friend to discuss the matter now.

The Chief Justice said that his learned brother and he were of the opinion that there was no information in the warrant within the meaning of the word. All the Magistrate was informed was that the crime had been committed in China. He must have such information with regard to that crime committed in China as if it had been committed in the Colony. Extradition proceedings in the Colony had degenerated into the most slipshod way and the procedure had become very lax.

THE UNPROTECTED FOREST GUARD.

A MATTER FOR GOVERNMENT'S CONSIDERATION.

A case of unusual interest was heard before Mr. F. A. Haselund at the Police Court yesterday when a native named Lam Ng, who was arrested by two Forest Guards, was charged with trespassing on Crown land. The defendant brought a cross-action for assault against one of the Guards, and incidentally brought to light a matter which needs rectifying. It appears that the Forest Guards are supplied with baton, whistles, and the other requisites of a policeman, whereas he really comes under the definition of a private watchman. In the case in question one of the Guards alleges that during the arrest the defendant attempted to snatch his whistle, and resisted arrest. And apparently it was in the struggle to retain him that the alleged assault occurred.

Inspector Collett pointed out to his Worship that there was no law to protect the Forest Guards. Had the same thing occurred in the case of a police constable the defendant could have been charged with assault and resisting arrest.

His Worship directed Inspector Collett to draw the attention of the Captain Superintendent of Police to the fact. In this case he would discharge the Forest Guard, and as the defendant had been before him on a previous occasion, he would impose a fine of \$5.

KULANGSU (AMOI) MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at the Board Room, on the 22nd January 1902. Present:—Messrs. W. H. Wallace, C. A. V. Bowers, S. Okuyama, W. Wilson, and the Secretary.

1. The minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.

2. Proposed by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Bowers, that Mr. Wallace be Chairman of the 1902 Council, and proposed by Mr. Wallace and seconded by Mr. Bowers that Mr. Gardiner be Vice-chairman. Carried.

3. Proposed by Mr. Kruse and seconded by Mr. Wallace, that the Committee remain as last year.

Works. Mr. Gardiner and Mr. Kruse. Watch. Mr. Bowers and Mr. Wilson. Finance. Mr. Wallace and Mr. Okuyama.

Assessment. Mr. Bowers, Mr. Gardiner and Mr. Kruse. Carried.

4. The Secretary is instructed to draw up and submit to the Council new regulations for the Council.

5. The Secretary is authorized to have certain trees at present a danger to the public, at Lab-ke-tai, removed.

6. The suggestion made by Captain Bathurst at the Annual Meeting of the Ratepayers, concerning the desirability of having a census taken of the Chinese population on the Island, is discussed, and it is decided that the time is not ripe for such a proposal.

7. As regards the question of a cadastral survey & raised by Dr. Otte at the same meeting, while the Council are in full accord with Dr. Otte's remarks, so far as they concern the question of a survey, as no funds are at present available, it is impossible to undertake the work.

8. The Superintendent of Police reports the following cases have been dealt with at the Mixed Court since the last meeting:—

SUMMONSES.

Contempt of Court: 1. Committing a nuisance.

1. Debt 6.

SUMMARY ARRESTS.

Committing a nuisance. 2. Contempt of Court 1.

(Signed) W. H. WALLACE, Chairman.

By order, C. BERKELEY MITCHELL, Secretary.

DEATH OF ADMIRAL GOUGH.

Admiral Frederick W. Gough, C.B., who died at Liverpool, in his eighty-fifth year, was born at Misterton Hall, Leicestershire, and was the last surviving son of Richard Ashley, who took the name of Gough, and who was a Magistrate and Deputy Lieutenant for Leicestershire. After completing his education at Eton and the Royal Naval College, he entered the Navy, in 1838, and served on numerous stations, including North America, the West Indies, the Cape, the East and West Coasts of Africa, South America, Chili, Peru, Australia, New Zealand, India, and the Mediterranean. He held the post of senior lieutenant on the battleship London at the bombardment of Sebastopol. For distinguished service he was raised to the rank of commander. On returning home from the Crimea he was for six years in command of the Hastings Division of the Coastguard, and was promoted to the rank of captain for zeal in the protection of revenues. He afterwards spent eleven years as head of the Emigration Service at Londonderry. During his active service he was five times gazetted for acts of bravery. On one occasion he captured an armed slave in Mozambique Channel on the *Cleopatra's* galley. His numerous decorations included the South African, Turkish, Crimean, and Sardinian medals. He was also a Chevalier of the Legion of Honour, and when he retired in 1875 with the rank of Admiral he was made Commander of the Bath. Since his retirement he has resided at Liverpool and was a Magistrate of that city and of the County of Leicester.

HAMBURG.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

NEW LOAN.

January 21st.

The new Prussian 4 per cent loan issued last week must be looked upon as a success, 180 million Marks having been subscribed in a few days at 98 1/2 per cent in spite of the somewhat onerous terms and the novel mode of issue. It had not been entrusted to a syndicate as is usually the custom, but had been placed in the hands of the Seehandlung to whom it had to be made through a respectable bank; moreover the stock may not be put on the market for another twelve months, and will be obliged to deposit the scrip for the loan with the government institution in order to have the amounts inscribed in the State Ledger as it is the case in France. The rate of interest is subject to a reduction of 4 per cent after ten years and to a further reduction after another five. The proceeds of the loan will be applied in the first place to the payment of treasury bills to the extent of 90 million Marks now falling due. It is said that the Prussian minister of finance is not pleased with the result, having expected a much larger amount, and some of the newspapers likewise express disappointment, but considering the recent monetary crisis and the fact that the mode of issue and the restrictive clause as to the deferred negotiability of the stock possessed little attraction for the professional speculator, it can hardly be regarded otherwise than satisfactory that so large an amount should have been taken up by capitalists, presumably bona fide investors, on terms by no means alluring. It shows that the financial state of the country is sound and that there is a lack of capital, although it may have been withdrawn from circulation for a time. A further proof of this is that "provisional" applications to a considerable amount have already been made for a new loan of the State of Hamburg to be brought out shortly. An imperial loan, for something like 400 million Marks is also in view and some of the minor states of Germany are expected to appear in the market as borrowers in spring.

N. D. L. NEW ISSUE.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd propose issuing preferential shares to the tune of 25 million Marks and the Hamburg American Line may follow at no distant date. It is reported that these two powerful companies have come to an understanding respecting not only the North Atlantic service but that to the Far East as well. As to India, it is stated that the Hamburg line has consented to withdraw from the passenger trade in consideration of a greater share in that in the Atlantic being allotted to her.

TONGKONG STATISTICS.

The "German Lloyd" in their annual report just published give the following interesting particulars concerning the tonnage added to the imperial and mercantile navies during the past twelve months.

Steam-altogether Sail altogether

In course of construction:—

In the North Sea 314 225,939 280 30,144

in the Baltic 101 337,243 177 25,021

In the interior 134 17,091 239 49,197

Total 549 633 687 788 104,362

Of these 38 were men-of-war of together 128,088

Ts 20 steamers of together 516,710 Ts and ten

sailing vessels of over 100 Ts of an aggregate

tonnage of 3,928 Ts. The remainder consisted of

small steamers and other craft for the coasting

trade, the river traffic and other special purposes.

Completed during the year:—

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In the interior 97 9,757 219 29,424

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20,000 granted free of charge to officials, gamekeepers and others employed by owners or lessees of shootings. The cost of a licence varies in the different states of the empire but the average may be assumed to be about M. 15 and the total amount paid to exceed six million Marks. The total weight of game slain is stated as 25 million Kilos of which 20 millions of the value of 25 million Marks is used for food, but as this constitutes not more than 1 per cent. of the entire consumption of animal food in the country and as game on account of its price is beyond the reach of the great majority of the people it is of minor importance considered as an article of food. Besides edible game about 130,000 foxes, 80,000 badgers, 650,000 otters, 100,000 wild cats, 17,000 martens, 36,000 weasels &c., are killed every year, the value of their skins and those of hares and deer together is estimated at about four million Marks, whilst the skins of stags and the horns of the deer may realize another million. Of far greater importance than all these however is the rent paid for the right to shoot over the land; the total area is estimated at 50 million hectares which at an average annual rent of 80 Pfennig per hectare, produce no less than 40 million Marks p.a. which go almost entirely to the rural communities as holders of the manorial rights.

The cost of the upkeep in wages &c. cannot well be less than 35 million Marks p.a. to which has to be added say 17 millions for the maintenance of 20,000 dogs and one million for dog licences, two millions for cartridges, four millions for repairs and replacing of guns that have become unfit for use, six millions for outfit and a million more for travelling expenses, carriage of game, advertising, sporting literature &c. making a total of 130 million Marks spent on field sports every year. As only 3 millions are recovered by the sale of game &c., as stated above, it is evident that the community profits to the extent of 100 million by the preservation and pursuit of game. The stock of game the value of which may be computed by multiplying by three that of the game killed, as wherever rational principles prevail, not more than one third of the existing animals will be allowed to be slain, may be put down as worth 100 millions, an important national asset.

REDUCTION OF THE BANK RATE.

BETTER TIMES FOR THE CITY.

The Bank of England last month displayed its belief in the return of confidence in the most practical manner possible by reducing the bank rate from 5 to 4 per cent, and it was stated in the City that in all probability it will soon be further reduced to 3 or even to 2 per cent. The City Editor of the "Express" writes:

"Now, that the money crisis is over, both in America and Europe, it may be well to review its effects. The chief effect of the panic crisis in America, of course, during 1907 was shipped goods to America valued at fifty millions sterling, and received imports to the value of 140 millions."

"Thus we owed on balance a sum of ninety millions—chiefly due in the last quarter of the year. After taking part payment in bills on other countries, America actually did draw from us the sum of seventeen and a half millions in gold during November and December. Now, on October 23 the Bank of England's total reserve only amounted to some twenty-four millions so that America was practically asking for three-quarters of our available cash."

"Of the same sum (seventeen and a half millions) the contract for the construction of the Panama Canal, which released gold to that amount lying to its credit in London, five millions came from South Africa seven millions came from Germany, and three millions came from France."

"Now, the point to take note of is that if Germany and France had lent us to 'show in our own juice' an appalling financial crisis would have resulted, with at least a 10 per cent. Bank rate in London, and still more chaotic chaos in New York. As it was, the English Bank rate was put up to 7 per cent. on November 7, and ended at that figure until the end of the year."

NOVEL "DRESS" TABLEAUX.

FEATURES OF FASHION COURT EXHIBITION.

The London and Paris Press Exhibition, which opened at Earl's Court on January 25, was a brilliant success. Never before has such an enterprise been set on foot, and the promoters were more than satisfied with the enthusiasm with which their scheme was received.

The most famous London and Paris firms, whose names are a household word, and whose "creations" are the height of feminine ambition, competed with each other in the beauty and variety of their exhibits. Everything that woman can wear, from the sole of her foot to the crown of her head, was included in the exhibition.

Of the more dainty gowns and hats did not, if the expression may be permitted, waste their beauty on wax and wooden stands. Some 50 elegant and graceful young ladies, both French and English, were engaged to serve as mannequins, whose delightful task it was to pass the day in the most lovely array and to change constantly from one glorious "coiffure" to another.

But the best of the exhibition were the tableaux. A large number of these were arranged, so that ladies visiting the exhibition were able to see the costumes they admire under the exact conditions in which they are intended to be worn.

One great tableau was devoted to a Court, when the actresses appear in all the splendour of drawing room dresses with their long trains, their jewels and feathers. Then there were tea party tableaux, when the latest novelties in calling frocks were shown, and tableaux of bridge gatherings, and dinner parties and dances.

A special series of sporting tableaux was arranged, where the athletic women were able to see all that the best London and Paris tailoring firms can produce in the way of smart frocks for golf, hockey, yachting, hunting, cycling, and outdoor sports of every description.

The more exotic side of woman's toilette was not forgotten. In one series of tableaux entitled "The Bondoir," only ladies were admitted; for in this were shown marvels of dainty lingerie, elaborate dressing gowns, trailing underclothes, till the fair performer who has left her room in a lace-trimmed "sult" dress, lit, was robed in the smartest of tailor-made gowns ready for a drive in the park.

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CHINESE FOREIGN RELATIONS.

The Times correspondent at Peking wired on January 15:—

The signature of the Tien-tsin-Yang-tze Railway contract last Monday marks another step in advance in China's foreign relations and emphasizes the improvement in the conduct of the Wai-wu-pu since the appointment of Sir Victor Yuan Shih-kai and Liang Tzu-yen.

Practically Great Britain and Japan are the only two Powers who have questions awaiting settlement.

The negotiations regarding Tibet, providing for the amendment of the 1893 regulations as stipulated by the Lhasa Convention on September 7, 1904, have developed satisfactorily, at least as far as China is concerned. Considerable difficulties have to be overcome owing to apparent contradictions regarding the relations between the Tibetan and the British representatives as defined by three recent conventions—the Lhasa Convention, the Peking-Adhesion Convention of August 27, 1906, and the Anglo-Russian Convention of August 31, 1907. China seemed unable to realize that direct relations in certain trade questions between India and Tibet could be conducted without impairment of China's suzerainty over Tibet until the publication of the Franco-Canadian Commercial Convention and of the mission of Mr. Lomax to Japan showed analogous instances in case of other countries. China intends extending her telegraph system to Lhasa, a Danish engineer in her employment being already detailed for this service.

Marked improvement in the security of the Canton waters is reported since British gunboats began systematically to patrol them. Now the Chinese have entrusted the duty of organizing a similar service to Admiral Li-chun, and if this proves efficient, section by section the British gunboats will be withdrawn. At the same time steps are being taken by the British authorities to promulgate revised regulations governing the registration of launches entitled to fly the British flag. At present many Chinese evade regulations under the Chinese flag by registering launches in British or French. I understand that the French are also revising their regulations.

While the relations of China with other Powers have sensibly improved, the number of unresolved questions with Japan, especially with regard to Manchuria, is increasing. The Yalu timber question at An-tung; the settlement of the Manchurian telegraphs and post-offices; the relation of the public buildings at Mukden and other cities; the regulation of the Yalu river and other Manchurian coal mines; the occupation of the territory of Chientai, in Kirin province, on the pretext that, though long occupied by China, it really belonged to Korea; and the serious question of Japan's prohibiting China from extending her own railway west of the Liu River, on the ground that such an extension would compete with a Japanese railway 35 miles distant at the nearest, east of the Liu River—these and other questions await solution. An already reported the contract for the construction of the railway west of the Liu River, from Hsiao-min-tu to the Pa-kia-menn, was signed with a British firm on November 8.

LORD DESBOROUGH.

The ascension of Lord Desborough and the Olympic Games is likely long to be remembered as the greatest sports event held anywhere should be under the direction of a man who has a more undoubted supremacy in sports than any man of his age.

He is above all else the great amateur. He was first attracted to the Olympic Games because they were designed as a nucleus for the amateurs of the world, and Lord Desborough felt that he might give a lasting boon to sportsmen the world over if he could help to assure a meeting and an interchange of views every four years.

It is more than once occurred to me that he illustrates in a peculiar way the Polonius maxim that the apparel oft proclaims the man. Like many of his company he has a particular affection for the Zingari life.

Now the Zingari Club was founded many years ago at a moment when professionalism seemed likely to have an overmastering influence in cricket, and the origin of the club was the desire to encourage pure amateurism.

But unlike many who preach amateurism he has a really great respect for the professional. There is no better class of citizen in the community than professional cricketers; and Lord Desborough's first title to fame was won in the Harrow XI.

Professional swordsmen from Tokyo to Paris have a great share of the spirit of noblesse oblige (of being "in honour bound"), and Lord Desborough—sharing his enthusiasm with Mr. Wyndham, among others—has done more to advance sword-play in England than any other man. If any one game more than another gathers to itself all the best in amateurism, it is fencing, and at least to Oxford men Lord Desborough is perhaps best known as a fencing man.

His beautiful ancestral home is at Taplow, and he has entertained there crew after crew of Oxford oarsmen before the race. He has the look of a rowing man—broadness and height and straightness; perhaps, too, a sort of genial seriousness which declares that he enters into all he undertakes with intention and seriousness.

While at Oxford he served in one of the regiments of the Buffs, the 2nd Buffs, and he was the University man of 1877.

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GEO. H. BATESON WRIGHT, D.D., Head Master.

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HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Underigned at 12.30 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 10th March.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February to the 10th March, 1908, both days inclusive.

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Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1908. 1

S.S. "TONKIN." COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from Cette ex S.S. "Omar" from Yachy ex S.S. "Saghalien" or from Bord aux ex S.S. "Vile, de Borneaux" and "Cathay", in connection with the above steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on a note of Intimation received from the Consignee before 3 P.M., To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underigned, Goods remaining undischarged after MONDAY, the 24th inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 24th inst., or they will not be recognised. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 24th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. MILLET, Agent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1908. 12

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD. COPENHAGEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "CATHAY."

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY, the 17th inst., at Noon.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst. will be subject to rent.

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All claims must reach us before the 28th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Applicants should be unmarried as residence on the Club Premises is essential.

By Order,

C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1908. 263

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NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1908. 372

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HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 24th February, 1908, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1907.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

THOS. I. ROSE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1908. 289

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on MONDAY, the 24th February, 1908, at 4 P.M. in the City Hall, for the following purposes, viz:—

1. To receive the Report and Account of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1907.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To consider the following Resolution:—"That in consequence of the importance of the Trade existing between this Port and Bombay it is resolved under rule XXIII to increase the Number of the Committee from 9 to 10 so as to include a merchant interested in the Bombay Trade."
4. To transact any general business.

By Order,

E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1908. 383

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the

NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings on TUESDAY, the 25th February, 1908, at 11.45 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1907.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 18th February to TUESDAY the 25th February (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHEETON HOOPER, Secretary to the Company.

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD., Agents for the Company.

KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING CO., LD. Hongkong, 15th February, 1908. 373

HONGKONG CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTY-THIRD ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions on TUESDAY, the 25th February at 12 o'clock Noon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of a Director and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. E. CLARKE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1908. 314

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1908, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1907.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 20th February to 5th March, both days inclusive.

By Order,

GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1908. 363

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half Year ending 31st December, 1907 at the rate of Two Pounds Sterling per Old Share and One Pound and Ten Shillings Sterling per New Share is payable on and after MONDAY, the 17th day of February current, at the Office of the Corporation, 70, Queen's Road Central.

SHAREHOLDERS ARE REQUESTED TO APPLY FOR WARRANTS.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

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THE ENTOMBED MINERS.

46 DAYS UNDERGROUND.

A New York message says:—After forty-six days, Bailey, Brown, and McDonald, the entombed miners, were rescued alive. It was dark at the time, or the doctors say the released men brought into sudden contact with the light might have been blinded. They were entombed a thousand feet beneath the surface on Dec. 6, in a shaft of the Giroux Mine, since when their comrades have worked night and day to rescue them. Big hauls of timber, which fell from their proper positions when the mine caved in, were interlaced in such a way as to form a protection for them. Only a load could have survived as these three men have but for the inventions of to-day. The telephone and a water pipe in the shaft were undamaged by subsidence, so the miners were able to talk over the wire to those in the day-light, who assured them in turn that their comrades were working with all their might to clear a way to reach them. Through the pipe food-and-drink had been sent them, and, remarkable to say, they have sent cheerful notes, written on scraps of paper, to their kin, and have got answers by this truly underground route.

On Christmas Day I cabled you that Bailey, Brown, and McDonald were "having the time of their lives." It was their own description. A plum pudding from McDonald's sweetheart, sent from England, had been literally shot into their laps through the six-inch pipe. Turkey chicken, and whiskey found them by the same invaluable route. They groined in the darkness, but found the good things all right. After dinner, patriotic airs, "Yankee Doodle," "The Stars and Stripes," &c., were telephoned to the imprisoned men, who became positively exuberant as the day advanced, and they themselves volunteered a few jovial verses.

In a special message, which I received yesterday, Bailey tells how depressed and gloomy the three were when they first found themselves buried alive, almost suffocated with coal dust and scalded by seeping steam. "We were near the six inch pipe," he says, "and everything depended on that. Brown is married, and so am I. We both have youngsters. McDonald is engaged to a sweetheart, now living in England. There was an hour of awful suspense. We felt cold; perspiration broke out from every pore as we slowly realised our terrible plight. We knew if the pipe was broken it was all up with us. Finally, we could hear someone hammering on the pipe. That was very encouraging. At last, as I was standing at the open end of the pipe, someone from the surface shouted down the pipe and called 'Bailey.' It was the most welcome sound I ever heard. A few minutes after they sent down some compressed air, which was certainly welcome.

"After sending down enough air to last for a time they found an old can, filled it with water, and lowered some down to us through the water pipe. But the can was not sealed tight on the upper end, and when it got to the elbow at the bottom all the water leaked out. The master mechanic Durkin rigged up a train of supply cans sealed at both ends, and joined by short strong chains, so that they passed the elbows of the pipe easily. For some days passed we took oil and waste and soaked up the dust, so we were not troubled so much. We were alive, anyhow. We did not sleep for the first three nights. The only place we had to lay down on was the floor, and the floor being cold and damp, and our nerves strung up, it was impossible to sleep. After we had been there three days we found an old canvas wagon cover that we used to cover the motors with when they were blasting in the shaft, so we picked up an old hand-saw and made bunks.

Having completed our bunks, the next thing we wanted was blankets, so we phoned our wants to the surface. They got some blankets, and by cutting them into pieces about four inches by thirty-six inches, and lashing them to the ropes they lowered them down. They also sent thread and needles, and we sewed the pieces together. Thus we had a pair of blankets apiece. We could take our boots off, and climb into a warm bed, and it was a great relief. After that we simply settled down to make the best of a bad job which might have been worse. It was shockingly dull at times, and it is a real delight to-day to see new faces."

The town's entire population shouted for joy as Bailey, and McDonald were brought to the surface.

"TIMES" CAPITAL.

SHARES OF THE VARIOUS INTEREST.

According to "The Financial News," the price of the "Times" newspaper for its transfer under the new control has been fixed at £700,000.

The new company, the name of which will probably be The Times Limited, is to be capitalised on the basis of a division of its capital in 250,000 Five per Cent. First Preference shares, 250,000 Six per Cent. Second Preference shares, and a large amount of ordinary capital, necessarily ranking last in the division of the profits.

The First Preference shares are to be taken by the new shareholders, who represent the interests introduced by Mr. Pearson for the work of the reorganisation of the newspaper. These are understood to include Sir Alexander Henderson as the source of the greater part of the new finances. Other names mentioned in connection with the new capital are those of Lord Rothchild, Lord Strathmore, Lord Inverclyde, and Lord Brassey.

The Six per Cent. Preference shares are to be taken by the present proprietors in exchange for their existing holdings. This is at present the part of the scheme which is giving rise to some anxiety. Some of the present proprietors do not consider that the proposed new arrangements, as represented by the Six per Cent. Second Preference shares, provide adequately for their interests, and they are understood to threaten opposition in the courts.

The Ordinary shares are to be taken by Mr. A. F. Walter, the senior representative of the Walter family. Mr. Walter also stipulates that Mr. Buckle shall retain the editorship. In consideration of the Ordinary shares and the maintenance of his control, Mr. Walter is understood to have agreed to the cancellation of the printing contract made with his grandfather.

There is also a paper contract; and the existence of these contracts makes it difficult to state exactly what the present profits of "The Times" are. It is understood, however, that the total present profits, including the printing and paper contracts, are put at £30,000 a year.

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SECOND CLASS.

There are many excuses for going home or coming out "second." There is one reason, the all-sufficient one of lack of means to pay for a first class passage, says the Singapore Free Press.

The excuses are varied, picturesque and even well thought out, but to the hardened traveller all are unconvincing. One of the most common excuses is the old one about dressing for dinner, in a small percentage of cases there is truth in this, the ones run from fifteen to twenty stone of "too solid flesh" acquired in the tropics. However it is frequently used by those who would dearly love to disport themselves in the first saloon, wearing their swallow-tails which, if described after the manner of furniture, would be classified as "Early John Little."

Another only travels second because he can't stand the Australian accent, it is of course fattening in a mild way to his fellow passengers to feel that their pronunciation is up to the high standard required. Probably some kindred spirit of the last man's goes one better and boldly states that he can't stand the type of people that travel first. After his vivid descriptions of objectionable aliens, haughty officials, plausible adventurers, one wonders that the Company finds it pay to devote so large a part of the ship to these people.

The odour of sanctity permeates the second saloon, more particularly in the mission season. Our missionary on his first outward journey differs as a rule greatly from the home-going species.

The novice walks up and down the deck learning Chinese, so that he may be in time to get a "heaven in his blindness" before they are all converted by his colleagues. He meditates deeply over the awful doom which hangs over fellow-creatures, recklessly playing bridge or a shilling a hundred regardless of the fact that they have wives and children dependent on them.

The returning missionary has probably put in a good many years and found that the heathen "rage furiously together" in spite of his best efforts. He takes a long chair and probably knows that his fellow-passengers are not abandoned drunkards and gamblers.

Much of the humour and cheeriness of the voyage is supplied by non-coms and their families. A Sergeant-Major will pass up down the deck with an air of complete detachment from his wife who is trying to collect four small children for the children's tea.

If the voyage home has much of comedy it is in the way of the world also touched with tragedy. The young widow who stands against the taffrail looking back at Singapore, sees nothing of the beauty of the islands, thinks nothing of the importance of the harbour, to her Singapore is just a grave. A grave that must be unattended whither with her husband all hope, all light and joy in life. But her voyage will be smooth and made as easy as possible by many little kindnesses and much real sympathy, for those who travel with her remember that.

On the bones of the English out.

The English flag is stayed. There are a few more people travelling first that ought to go second than vice versa. To some the idea of being seen by the smart set of Singapore settling down in that part of the ship which has no music-room is so abhorrent that they pay pounds sterling to avoid those few minutes of absurd shame. As a matter of common-sense it would seem better to save the money and have a good time in England with it than to present it to a Shipping Company and in return have your baggage marked with labels of the correct colour for the first class.

Second-class accommodation varies slightly on different lines, the P. and O. as to its antiquity preserving that Victorian relic, high-tops which should be banished by all standards of the present.

The Jap Line is popularly supposed to do a large carrying trade in brides, not perhaps the Tanglein bride, but Tanglein is not Singapore and outside that select part of the St. James's as Jack Point remarks in the Yeoman of the Guard "Men and women marry everyday, with some but my and fools like me to say Oh! the pity of it."

At this period of the year the minds of many turn homewards and the minds of many bless the second class that renders it possible for them to get home to derive all the benefits to be obtained from change of air, scene and people. The main thing is to get away. Once landed in England nobody cares whether you got there steamer or a tramp or revelled in specially through Siberia with Grand Duke and Princess.

The second class, however, of to-day travels in luxury compared to the first class of a few years ago. This genuine word class man at present has only one real grievance and that is common to the first—both kick at the little red slip in the particulars supplied by the Agents that nullify all passages are subject to the 10 per cent. increase, but it would stop the usual spring exodus in either class.

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KIANCHING, Chinese str., 1,002, Brissander, 16th Feb., Chinkiang 15th Feb., General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

KUPCHOW, British str., 1,315, G. Hooker, 16th Feb., Hongkong 13th Feb., Coal, Butterfield & Swire.

MANILA, British str., 2,711, F. E. Andrews, 17th Feb., Singapore 16th Feb., General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

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TOKYO, French str., 1,517, Walker, 16th Feb., Yokohama and Shanghai 14th Feb., General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

WIKONG, British str., 1,517, Walker, 16th Feb., Yokohama and Shanghai 14th Feb., General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

YAWATA MARU, Japanese str., 3,816, K. Iijima, 17th Feb., Australia via Manila 15th Feb., Lead, Cooper & General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

ZAFIRO, British str., 1,829, R. Rodgers, 17th Feb., Manila 14th Feb., Hamp & Sugar, Shewan, Tomes & Co.

CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office, 17th February.

Borneo, German str., for Sandakan, Glasgow, British str., for Amoy.

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DEPARTURES.

17th February.

CHOTANG, British str., for Canton.

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LONDON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	FLINTSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 20th inst.
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LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SOGOTRA	Brit. str.	—	W. R. Hick	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 4th March.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c	BINGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Christiansen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Petersen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th Mar., at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-morrow.
MARSEILLES, &c, via Ports of CALL.	OCEANIAN	Fr. str.	—	Magnus	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN &c.	PETRONIA	Dan. str.	—	H. Pybus	MELCHERS & Co.	To-day, at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, Plymouth, HAVRE & HAMBURG &c	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	v. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 23rd inst.
ROTHTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	AMERICA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Schwinghammer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th March.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	—	Kotze	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 3rd March.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGERIA, GIBRALTAR, &c.	KLING	Ger. str.	—	Rud. Meyer	MELCHERS & Co.	On 26th inst., at Noon.
BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	GER. str.	—	k.w.	Peter	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 23rd inst.
TRIESTE, &c, via SINGAPORE, &c.	AUSTRIA	Aust. str.	—	Gillhuber	SANDER, WITZER & Co.	About 24th inst.
BOSTON & NEW-YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	KENNEBEC	Brit. str.	—	Baynon	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 7th March.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	INDRANI	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 22nd inst., at 3 P.M.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SAINT PATRICK	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	About 16th March.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 12th Mar., at 4 P.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	LENNOX	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 25th Mar., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, WASH., &c.	TANGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. E. Noss	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	SHAWMUT	Am. str.	—	E. V. Robert	DODD & Co., Ltd.	On 27th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, WASH., &c.	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Mar., at 4 P.M.
CALLAO AND IQUIQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	KASATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	D. Mori	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	First half of April.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	KAMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Mathieson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ SOIGSMUND	Ger. str.	—	D. Lens	MELCHERS & Co.	On 3rd Mar., at 5 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA PORT DARWIN &c.	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	McArthur	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 29th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Homma	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 20th Mar., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th Mar., at 4 P.M.
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	C. H. Butler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at D'light
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	TSUKAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	C. Lindbergh	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Homma	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow at Noon.
JAPAN	TIPIKAS	Dut. str.	—	Pander	JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
CHINKIANG	CHINKIANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Robertson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MANILA	Brit. str.	—	F. J. Andrews, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 16th inst.
SHANGHAI, VIA SWATOW	HINSANG	Brit. str.	—	W. J. Davies	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	FOOCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. Davies	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHOYRANG	Brit. str.	—	Sandbach	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-morrow, at Noon.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	SOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Suruge	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-morrow, at 5 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	Og 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	DELHI	Brit. str.	—	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Og 24th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HOHENSTAUFEN	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jäger	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	YUNNAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. O. Jones	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 26th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TRANQUEBAR	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 28th inst.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	TAKAPAKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Mooler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd March.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ LUDWIG	Ger. str.	—	C. Binzer	MELCHERS & Co.	About 3rd March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	FOOCHANG	Brit. str.	—	W. E. Sawyer	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 13th Mar., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	KANCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	SUSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Ito	OSAKA SHOSSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst., at D'light
AMPOING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	HAICHING MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. S. Smith	OSAKA SHOSSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst., at 9 A.M.
TAMSIU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	CHIRIKI	Brit. str.	2 h	A. E. Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAFRAIE & Co.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.	Imbhen	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 10 A.M.
HOIHOW & HAIHONG	YUENHANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. W. Outerbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	T. Meyrick	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
FANILA	TAI	Brit. str.	—	Rodger	SHEWAN TOMES & Co.	On 22nd inst.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. Somerville	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	S. J. Payne	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
CERU & ILOILO	KAIPONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	R. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 25th inst.
KUBAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	Mathias	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	KAGOSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. Semblit	MELCHERS & Co.	To-day, at 9 A.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NAOSHU	Brit. str.	—	M. Kori	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 26th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	LAISANG	Brit. str.	—	M. B. Lake	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 26th inst., at 3 P.M.
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.	TUHLIOWNG	Dut. str.	—	E. J. Todd	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 27th inst., at 3 P.M.
				Jurriacze	JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	About 25th inst.

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MANILA	TAMING	On 18th Febr., 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	TANAN	On 21st Febr., 4 P.M.
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	KANCHOW	On 25th Febr., 4 P.M.
MANILA	YUANAN	On 25th Febr., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINKIANG	On 25th Febr., 4 P.M.
CEBU and LOILO	KAIFONG	On 25th Febr., 4 P.M.

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MANILA, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND"	Tuesday, 3rd March, at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"PRINZ LUDWIG"	About Tuesday 3rd March.

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KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU Capt. C. H. Butler, Tons 6131	SATURDAY, 22nd Febr., at Daylight.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	KAGOSHIMA MARU Capt. K. Kori, Tons 4475	WEDNESDAY, 26th Febr., at Noon.
SHANGHAI and KOBE	TAKASAKI MARU Capt. A. Mosker, Tons 4746	MONDAY, 2nd March, at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE	BINGO MARU Capt. A. Christiansen, Tons 6247	WEDNESDAY, 19th Febr., at Daylight.
PORT SAID, COLOMBO and PORT VICTORIA	KAWACHI MARU Capt. H. Petersen, Tons 6227	WEDNESDAY, 4th March, at Daylight.
SEATTLE, WASH., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU Capt. A. E. Moss, Tons 7403	TUESDAY, 18th Febr., at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	AKI MARU Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6444	TUESDAY, 3rd March, at 4 P.M.
	KUMANO MARU Capt. N. Matheson, Tons 5076	FRIDAY, 21st Febr., at Noon.
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K. MATSUDA, Manager,
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Hongkong, 18th February, 1908.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

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THE Company's Steamship

"GOEBEN"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., Kowloon whose delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 19th inst. will be subject to suit.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th inst. at 9.30 A.M. All Claims must reach us before the 23rd inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1908.

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

AMARA, British str., 1,655, C. J. Matlock, 18th February—Saigon, 11th February, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

AMIGO, German str., 322, N. J. Balzer, 18th January—Hohow 16th January, General—Jensen & Co.

BOANZO, German str., 1,344, F. Sembill, 7th February—Sandakan 2nd Feb, Timber—Melchers & Co.

CARL DICKERSEN, German str., 774, T. Kasper, 14th Feb—Haiphong Feb. 11th, and Hohow 13th, Rice & General—Jensen & Co.

CHONGHONG, British str., 1,256, F. Wheeler, 15th February—Chefoo via Weihaiwei 10th Feb—General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHILLY, British str., 1,158, J. Warrack, 15th February—Haiphong Feb. 11th, and Hohow 13th, Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire.

CHIPPING, British str., 1,199, F. Moskey, 29th January—Swatow 25th January, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHOYANG, British str., 1,424, A. E. Sandback, 16th February—Shanghai via Swatow 15th February, General and Sheep—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHUSANG, British str., 1,213, W. E. Sower, 13th February—Sourabaya 2nd Feb, Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

DARWENT, British str., 1,556, J. Jenkins, 15th Feb—Saigon 11th Feb, Rice—Chinese.

DEVAWONG, German str., 1,057, T. V. Brice, 11th February—Bangkok 3rd Feb, Rice and Meat—Butterfield & Swire.

ELGIN, British str., 2,443, Potts, 15th February—Portland 26th January and Mororan 6th Feb, Grain—Hongkong Milling & Co.

EMPEROR OF CHINA, British str., 3,348, R. Archibald, n.n.s., 18th Feb—Vancouver, B.C. 25th Jan and Shanghai 11th Feb, Mail and General—Canadian Pacific Railway Co.

ENTIN, German str., 1,199, Lenzschwagen, 11th Feb—Taiching 5th February, Coal—Jensen & Co.

FOOCHOW, British str., 1,227, J. Davies, 16th February—Swatow 15th February—Butterfield & Swire.

FOOSHING, British str., 1,423, T. Arthur, 13th February—Wakamatsu 8th Feb, Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

GLENCOLE, British str., 2,389, Mackies, 15th February—Singapore 6th Feb, General—Chinese.

HAICHING, British str., 1,267, A. E. Hodgins, 15th February—Coast Ports 14th Feb—General—Douglas, Leprie & Co.

HARBO, French str., 742, Zerk, 16th February—Haiphong Feb. 12th, and Hohow 14th, General—A. E. Martz.

HELLOPS, British str., 1,070, Hulscher, 15th February—Bali Papan 6th February, Liquid Fuel—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

HINSANG, British str., 1,536, A. G. Smith, 13th February—Moji 8th February, Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PROVTO, Norwegian str., 833, T. Stoberg, 25th January—Saigon 18th Jan., Rice & Flour—Walton & Co.

ROJUN MARU, Japanese str., 2,755, T. Iriawa, 15th February—Bombay and Singapore—General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

SHANTUNG, German str., 1,901, C. Goswiltch, 11th February—Bungkok 3rd Feb, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

SOSHU MARU, Japanese str., 1,119, T. Suruga, 16th February—Shanghai 8th February, General—Onaka Shosen Kaisha.

TAMING, British str., 1,346, A. Sommerella, 14th February—Manila 11th Feb, General—Butterfield & Swire.

TANGO MARU, Japanese str., 7,403, A. E. Moss, 9th Feb—Seattle 7th Jan. and Shanghai 6th February, Flour, Silver and General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

TINGANG, British str., 1,407, E. M. Reynolds, 27th January—Wakamatsu 22nd Jan., Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TROCAS, British str., Garrick, 10th February—Palo Sambo 2nd Feb, Bulk Oil—Mayer & Co.

TSTWAN, British str., 2,369, E. Finlayson, 13th February—Australia via Sydney 21st Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

VANCOUVER, British str., 1,914, McDougall, 14th February—New Castle 25th January, Coal—Jensen, Thomas & Co.

WAKAMATSU MARU, Japanese str., 1,772, T. Goto, 7th February—Moji 1st February, Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi-Nagasaki.

SAILING VESSELS.

ECIPER, British 4-masted bark, 2,968, L. D. Vance, 24th August—New York 1st May, Case Oil—Standard Oil Co.

MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

AUSTRIAN.

Kaiser Franz Josef I, Austrian cruiser, 4,303 Linienschiff-Japanten Wilhelm Paicher Northern Waters.

FRENCH.

Allouette, river gunboat, Lieut. Millet, Cochinchina.

Argus, gunboat, 123 tons, guns, 500 h.p., Lieut. Jeannel, Canton.

Caronde, gunboat, Lieut. Kerchall, Saigon.

Decider, gunboat 645 tons, 10 guns, 1,000 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. L. Des, Haiphong.

D'Entrecasteaux, French cruiser, 8,000, Capt. Trecoen, Shanghai.

Eatragon, submarine, Saigon.

Henri Riviere, gunboat, Lieut. Portier, Haiphong.

Jacquie, river gunboat, Lieut. Le Corolle, Annam-Tonkin coast.

Javeline, destroyer, 350 tons, 7 guns, 300 h.p., Lieut. Sagot-Duvauvrou, Saigon.

Kersaint, gunboat, 1250 tons, 6 guns, 2400 h.p., Comdr. Simon, Saigon.

Lynx, submarine, Lieut. Armbruster, Saigon.

Montcalm, cruiser (Flagship of Vice-Admiral Perrin, Commander in Chief), 9700 tons, 12 guns, 11,000 h.p., Capt. Martel.

Menequet, destroyer, Lieut. Duchemin, Baie d'Along.

Oiry, gunboat, Lieut. Grollier, Yangtze.

Polo, gunboat, Lieut. Marotain, Yangtze.

Pasha, submarine, Saigon.

Pistolot, destroyer, Lieut. de Reinach Werth, Baie d'Along.

Protas, submarine, Lieut. Glorieux, Saigon.

Rapier, destroyer, 331 tons, Lieut. Vincent de Brialmont, Saigon.

Redoubtable, battleship, (in reserve) 9347 tons, 8 guns, 671 h.p., Rear Admiral Richard Fey, Saigon.

Sabre, destroyer, 331 tons, Lieut. Mallin, Styx, armoured gunboat, 1793 tons, 10 guns, 1790 h.p., Capt. Drey, Saigon.

Surcouf, gunboat, 629 tons, 2 guns, 900 h.p., Lieut. Roque, Haiphong.

